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Interactive remote drug dose-physiologic response monitoring system for implantable medical devices, comprises monitoring physiological signs for compliance with prescriptive regimen and checking drug interaction in patient Patent Assignce: MEDTRONIC INC (MEDT)

Inventor: FEREK PETRIC B WARKENTIN DIE: WARKENTIN H

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Venous pooling detection in human body and associated therapy device - has blood flow velocity measurement arrangement and device with dual chamber cardiac pacemaker and drug delivery system.

Patent Assignee: PACESETTER AB (PACE-N)

Inventor: BREYER B. FEREK-PETRIC B. FEREKPETRIC B

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A detection device includes a cardiac lead [10,11] carrying at least one sensor [18,19] for blood flow measurement at a position which is located in a blood vessel and/or inside a human heart when the lead in implanted in the heart. An electronic circuit is connected to the sensor for blood flow velocity measurement, timing, and processing of the blood flow velocity data.

The circuitry includes a microprocessor which detects a decrease of the value of subsequent blood flow velocity waves each of the same kind and to provide in response a

venous pooling detection signal. An implantable therapy device comprises a dual chamber cardiac pacemaker and a drug delivery system.

USE - Prevents vasovagal syncope and relates to the predicts neurally mediated bradycardia and hypotension.

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Methods for treating medical disorders, particularly brain disorders selected from epilepsy, comprises using heat transfer, electrical stimulation or delivery of medication

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Inventor: LESSER R P; MIZUNO-MATSUMOTO Y; MOTAMEDI G K; WEBBER W

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NOVELTY - A method of treating a medical disorder comprises: (a) surgically implanting into a patient at least one sensor element; (b) attaching a management unit such that a micro controller of the management unit is connected to at least one sensor element; (c) connecting the management unit via a lead bundle to at least one stimulating electrode and at least one treatment device.

DESCRIPTION - A method of treating a medical disorder comprises:

- A. surgically implanting into a patient at least one sensor element capable of detecting and conveying cell signals:
- B. attaching a management unit such that a micro controller of the management unit is connected to at least one sensor element; and
- C. connecting the management unit via a lead bundle to at least one stimulating electrode and at least one treatment device such that a stimulation switch sends one or more current pulses to the at least one stimulating electrode and the at leas one treatment device.

At least one treatment device is selected from electrical stimulation, heat **transfer**, magnetic stimulation and **medication delivery** devices. It is responsive to signals from at least one sensor element, mathematical algorithms of the management unit perform one or more mathematical analyses comprising **quantification** of waveform amplitude, slope, curvature, rhythmicity, time-lag or frequency as well as **analysis** based on wavelets such as wavelet-cross **correlation analysis** and time-lag **analysis** of cell signals to **prompt** delivery of electrical stimulation and at least one treatment to cells responsible for the medical disorder.

INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for:

- 1. a method of treating a brain disorder by electrical stimulation by:
  - A. surgically implanting into a patient one or more electrical sensor elements capable of detecting and conveying signals from brain cells;
  - B. surgically implanting an electrical stimulator control unit into a body cavity of the patient such that a microcontroller of the electrical stimulator unit is connected to the one or more electrical sensor elements in contact with brain cells: and
  - C. connecting the electrical stimulator control unit to one or more stimulating electrodes via a lead bundle, the stimulating electrodes being capable of delivering to brain cells one or more symmetric or asymmetric current pulses; whereby responsive to signals from the one or more electrical sensor elements, mathematical algorithms of the micro controller perform

one or more mathematical analyses including quantification of waveform amplitude, slope, curvature, rhythmicity, time-lag, or frequency as well as analyses based on wavelets such as wavelet cross-correlation analysis of brain cells signals so as to predict onset of seizure activity thereby causing a stimulating switch to prompt stimulating electrodes to deliver the one or more symmetric or asymmetric current pulses to the brain, thereby halting abnormal brain cell activity in the patient; and

- 2. a device for treating a medical disorder comprises:
  - A. at least one sensor element capable of **detecting** and conveying cell
  - B. a management unit positioned such that a microcontroller of the unit connects to the sensor element(s);
  - C. an electrical stimulation device connected to the unit via a lead bundle such that a stimulation switch sends one or more current pulses to the electrical stimulation device: and
  - D. optionally at least one other treatment device; whereby responsive to signals from the sensor element(s), mathematical algorithms of the unit perform analyses including wavelet cross correlation analysis to prompt delivery of one more current pulses and optionally at least one other treatment to organs tissues or cells responsible for the disorder.

ACTIVITY - Analgesic; hemostatic; neuroprotective; antiinflammatory; anticonvulsant. MECHANISM OF ACTION - Neuronal tissue stimulator.

The value of wavelet cross-correlation analysis was assesses in 57 events in which after discharges (Ads) appeared in response to stimulation of brain cortical tissue in humans. Mean durations of epoch 1,2, and 3 were 9.9, 11.3 and 14.5 s, respectively. For controls in analysis-2, 59 events were chosen in which ADs did not appear after cortical stimulation. Significant differences of WCC values tended to occur between epochs 1 and 2, and 2 and 3. On the other hand, there were few significant differences in WCC between epochs 1 and 3. The results suggested that activity propagated from one electrode to another with a time lag. Short time lags (less than 10 milliseconds) occurred less frequently during epoch 2, but that time lags of 10 milliseconds occurred more frequently during epoch 2. In summary, results indicated that there were differences in WCC and TL when comparing among different epochs. These differences can be utilized to determine when seizures are likely to occur and to determine where they are originating and direction of propagation.

USE - The method is for treating medical disorder selected from seizure, headache, pain, trauma, hemorrhage, encephalitis, localized myelitis, mass lesions, psychiatric disorders, swelling and inflammation and the organs, tissue or cells responsible for the disorder can be central nervous system tissue, muscle, bones, cartilage, connective tissues and skin. Method (1) for treating brain disorders selected from epilepsy, intractable pain, psychiatric and movement disorders (all claimed).

ADVANTAGE - The methods of the invention improve effectiveness of stimulation for treating disorders of function of brain or elsewhere in the central nervous system, or in peripheral nerve.

Methods for treating medical disorders, particularly brain disorders selected from epilepsy, comprises using heat transfer, electrical stimulation or delivery of medication Abstract ... NOVELTY - A method of treating a medical disorder comprises: (a) surgically implanting into a patient at least one sensor element; (b) attaching a management unit such that a micro controller of the management unit is connected to at least one sensor element; (c) connecting the management unit via a lead bundle to at least one stimulating electrode and at least one treatment device. ... surgically implanting into a patient at least one sensor element capable of detecting and conveying cell signals; attaching a management unit such that a micro controller of the management unit is connected to at least one sensor element; and connecting the management unit via a lead bundle to at least one stimulating electrode and at least one treatment device such that a... ... At least one treatment device is selected from electrical stimulation, heat transfer. magnetic stimulation and medication delivery devices. It is responsive to signals from at least one sensor element, mathematical algorithms of the management unit perform one or more mathematical analyses comprising quantification of waveform amplitude. slope, curvature, rhythmicity, time-lag or frequency as well as analysis based on wavelets such as wavelet-cross correlation analysis and time-lag analysis of cell signals to prompt delivery of electrical stimulation and at least one treatment to cells responsible for the medical disorder... ... a method of treating a brain disorder by electrical stimulation by: surgically implanting into a patient one or more electrical sensor elements capable of detecting and conveying signals from brain cells; surgically implanting an electrical stimulator control unit into a body cavity of the patient such that a microcontroller of the electrical stimulator unit is connected to the one or more electrical sensor elements in contact with brain cells; and connecting the electrical stimulator control unit to one or more stimulating electrodes via a lead bundle, the stimulating... ... being capable of delivering to brain cells one or more symmetric or asymmetric current pulses; whereby responsive to signals from the one or more electrical sensor elements, mathematical algorithms of the micro controller perform one or more mathematical analyses including quantification of waveform amplitude, slope, curvature, rhythmicity, time-lag, or frequency as well as analyses based on wavelets such as wavelet cross-correlation analysis of brain cells signals so as to predict onset of seizure activity thereby causing a stimulating switch to prompt stimulating electrodes to deliver the one or more symmetric or asymmetric current pulses to the brain, thereby halting abnormal brain cell activity in the patient; and a device for treating a medical disorder comprises: at least one sensor element capable of detecting and conveying cell signals; a management unit positioned such that a microcontroller of the unit connects to the sensor element(s); an electrical stimulation device connected to the unit via a lead bundle such that a stimulation switch sends one or more current pulses to the electrical stimulation device; and optionally at least one other treatment device; whereby responsive to signals from the sensor element(s), mathematical algorithms of the unit perform analyses including wavelet cross correlation analysis to prompt delivery of one more current pulses and optionally at least one other treatment to organs tissues or cells responsible for the disorder ... ... The value of wavelet cross-correlation analysis

was assesses in 57 events in which after discharges (Ads) appeared in response to stimulation of brain cortical tissue in humans. Mean durations of epoch 1,2, and 3 were 9.9, 11.3 and 14.5 s, respectively. For controls in analysis-2, 59 events were chosen in which ADs did not appear after cortical stimulation. Significant differences of WCC values tended to occur between epochs 1...that time lags of 10 milliseconds occurred more frequently during epoch 2. In summary, results indicated that there were differences in WCC and TL when comparing among different epochs. These differences can be utilized to determine when seizures are likely to occur and to determine where they are originating and direction of propagation... Technology Focus BIOLOGY - Preferred Method: The method further comprises maintaining charge balance of a current pulse sequence by dynamic feedback. At least one treatment is selected form heat transfer, magnetic stimulation and medication. At least one sensor element is a member selected from temperature sensor elements and activity sensor elements, the latter being chosen from electrical sensing and chemical sensing elements and elements sensing blood flow changes, elements sensing ionic, hormonal, pH, osmolarity, enzyme activity, osmolarity, cellular function and/or optical changes. The method further comprises surgically implanting one or more sensor elements capable of detecting and conveying signals from a non-central nervous system organ (peripheral nerves, muscles, neck organs, thoracic organs, abdominal organs, pelvic organs and extremities), thereby detecting abnormal organ cell activity, treatment being effected by at least one treatment device selected from electrical stimulation, heat transfer, magnetic stimulation and medication delivery devices... ... The timing of the treatment is determined using mathematical analysis, including wavelet-cross correlation analysis producing wavelet-correlation coefficients and time lag information among sensor elements. Sensor element signals are selected from EEG, ionic, blood flow, enzyme activity, hormonal, pH, osmolarity or similar changes... ... The method additionally includes analyzing organ tissue or cell activity using a computer algorithm and correlating the activity with previous treatment. One or more pulses have a morphology selected from the group consisting of negative phase first, positive phase first, symmetric pulse, asymmetric pulse, pulse of limited duration, pulse with waveform controlled by dynamic feedback, pulse waveform occurring in random order, waveform occurring with random morphology, pulse waveform occurring with variable morphology and morphology respective of total duration of pulse......Polarity of initial pulse is determined by algorithm.....The method (1) also comprises notifying a patient of abnormal activity via a notification signal selected from sound, a visual signal, vibration, an infrared signal, a telemetered signal to an external device and a signal to a wireless or internet device......The device in (3) further comprises means for maintaining charge balance of a current pulse sequence by dynamic feed back and it has further means of a notification signal selected from sound, a visual signal, vibration, an infrared signal, a telemetered signal to an external device and a signal to a wireless or internet device. Extension Abstract ADMINISTRATION - In method (1), administration of medication is systemically or directly into the brain (claimed). Treatment is local or regional to the organ, tissue or cells. One treatment device is planted in the body including the chest, abdomen, subcutaneous pocket, skin or subclavicular pocket, and one sensor element is located external to patient's body (claimed).

Abstracts: Analytical methods and devices for analyzing biological signals, for example, electrical signals from the brain to determine whether an abnormal condition caused by a medical condition exists. In one embodiment, the medical disorder may be epilepsy. The analytical methods include wavelet analysis and neighbor crosscorrelation count, which is a frequency specific measure of the degree of correlation of a single channel of data with respect to its neighbors. The devices according to the invention are programmed to include the analytical methods and to administer treatment regimens such as electrical stimulation, heating, cooling and medication as needed...... A device and method of use for treating a medical disorder by surgically implanting into a patient at least one sensor element capable of detecting and conveying cell signals; attaching a management unit such that a micro controller of the management unit is connected to at least one sensor element; and connecting the management unit via a lead bundle to at least one treatment device. The treatment device may be an electrical stimulation device, a magnetic stimulation device, a heat transfer device, or a medication delivery device. Responsive to signals from the one or more sensor elements, mathematical algorithms of the management unit use wavelet crosscorrelation analysis to prompt delivery of at least one treatment modality, such heat transfer, current pulses, magnetic stimulation or medication. The medical disorder may arise from the brain, central nervous system or organs and tissues outside of the central nervous system... ... A device and a method of use for treating a medical disorder by surgically implanting into a patient at least one sensor element capable of detecting and conveying cell signals; attaching a management unit such that a micro controller of the management unit is connected to at least one sensor element; and connecting the management unit via a lead bundle to at least one treatment device. The treatment device may be an electrical stimulation device, a magnetic stimulation device, a heat transfer device, or a medication delivery device. Responsive to signals from the one or more sensor elements, mathematical algorithms of the management unit use wavelet crosscorrelation analysis to prompt delivery of at least one treatment modality, such heat transfer, current pulses, magnetic stimulation or medication. The medical disorder may arise from the brain, central nervous system or organs and tissues outside of the central nervous system... ... Analytical methods and devices for analyzing biological signals, for example, electrical signals from the brain to determine whether an abnormal condition caused by a medical condition exists. In one embodiment, the medical disorder may be epilepsy. The analytical methods include wavelet analysis and neighbor crosscorrelation count, which is a frequency specific measure of the degree of correlation of a single channel of data with respect to its neighbors. The devices according to the invention are programmed to include the analytical methods and to administer treatment regimens such as electrical stimulation, heating, cooling and medication as needed... ... A device and method of use for treating a medical disorder by surgically implanting into a patient at least one sensor element capable of detecting and conveying cell signals: attaching a management unit such that a micro controller of the management unit is connected to at least one sensor element; and connecting the management unit via a lead bundle to at least one treatment device. The treatment device may be an electrical stimulation device, a magnetic stimulation device, a heat transfer device, or a medication delivery device. Responsive to signals from the one or more sensor elements, mathematical algorithms of the management unit use wavelet crosscorrelation

analysis to prompt delivery of at least one treatment modality, such heat transfer, current pulses, magnetic stimulation or medication. The medical disorder may arise from the brain, central nervous system or organs and tissues outside of the central nervous system...... Claims: What is claimed is:1. A method of analyzing a plurality of biological signals, comprising performing a wavelet transform on the plurality of biological signals: andfor at least one wavelet scale used in said performing; calculating the degree of correlation of each of the plurality of transformed biological signals with respect to at least one of the plurality of transformed biological signals; defining a correlation threshold:counting ones of the plurality of transformed biological signals having correlations to the at least one of the plurality of transformed biological signals that are greater than the correlation threshold; and comparing the results of said counting to a total number of possible correlations...... 1. A method of treating a medical disorder, comprising: monitoring at least one sensor that senses physiological activity in one or more organs or organ systems; performing a wavelet cross-correlation analysis on data obtained from said monitoring to determine whether an abnormal state caused by the medical disorder exists; andif the abnormal state exists, administering one or more treatments selected from the group... ... What is claimed is:1. A method of analyzing a plurality of biological signals, comprising; performing a wavelet transform on the plurality of biological signals; andfor at least one wavelet scale used in said performing: calculating a degree of cross-correlation of each of the plurality of transformed biological signals with respect to at least one of the plurality of transformed biological signals; defining a correlation threshold; counting ones of the plurality of transformed biological signals having correlations to the at least one of the plurality of transformed biological signals that are greater than the correlation threshold; and comparing the results of said counting to a total number of possible correlations.>

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Drug delivery system used with cardiac device, e.g. cardioverter for delivering drug dosage to patient, has telemetry interface, circuitry for demodulating radio signals, and circuitry for controlling the delivery of drug

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### Alerting Abstract WO A2

NOVELTY - A drug delivery system comprises a cardiac device and an external drug delivery device. The external drug delivery device is for affixation to a patient. It also comprises a telemetry interface, circuitry for demodulating radio signals, and circuitry for controlling the delivery of drug accordingly.

DESCRIPTION - A drug delivery system comprises a cardiac device and an external drug delivery device. The cardiac device has sensing channel for electrical activity occurring in a patient's heart and for generating sensing signal. It has a circuitry for detecting a medical condition from the extracted information and generating command signal in case medical condition is present. It has also a telemetry interface for receiving and transmitting radio frequency signals and circuitry for modulating the signals with information relating to the command signal. The external drug delivery device is for affixation to a patient. It also comprises a telemetry interface, circuitry for demodulating radio signals, and circuitry for controlling the delivery of drug accordingly.

An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for a method comprising **extracting** information from sensed activity to **determine** if medical condition is present, and **transmitting** a command signal to a **drug delivery** device via a radio link, in case medical condition is present.

USE - Used with a cardiac device, such as cardioverter or defibrillator, cardiac pacemaker, for delivering drug dosage to a patient. The device is also for detecting cardiac ischemia and arrhythmia. (all claimed)

ADVANTAGE - The invention is programmable, thus **determining** the drug dosage that produces the desired physiological effect. It maintains downloadable logs of the received sensed activity and of amounts of **administered drugs**. Thus, degradation and leakage of **drugs** are prevented.

Drug delivery system used with cardiac device, e.g. cardioverter for delivering drug dosage to patient, has telemetry interface, circuitry for demodulating radio signals, and circuitry for controlling the delivery of drug Alerting Abstract...NOVELTY - A drug delivery system comprises a cardiac device and an external drug delivery device. The external drug delivery device is for affixation to a patient. It also comprises a telemetry interface, circuitry for demodulating radio signals, and circuitry for controlling the delivery of drug accordingly. DESCRIPTION - A drug delivery system comprises a cardiac device and an external drug delivery device. The cardiac device has sensing channel for electrical activity occurring in a patient's heart and for generating sensing

signal. It has a circuitry for detecting a medical condition from the extracted information and generating command signal in case medical condition is present. It has also a telemetry interface for receiving and transmitting radio frequency signals and circuitry for modulating the signals with information relating to the command signal. The external drug delivery device is for affixation to a patient. It also comprises a telemetry interface. circuitry for demodulating radio signals, and circuitry for controlling the delivery of drug accordingly... ... An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for a method comprising extracting information from sensed activity to determine if medical condition is present, and transmitting a command signal to a drug delivery device via a radio link, in case medical condition is present... ... USE - Used with a cardiac device. such as cardioverter or defibrillator, cardiac pacemaker, for delivering drug dosage to a patient. The device is also for detecting cardiac ischemia and arrhythmia, (all claimed... ...ADVANTAGE - The invention is programmable, thus determining the drug dosage that produces the desired physiological effect. It maintains downloadable logs of the received sensed activity and of amounts of administered drugs. Thus, degradation and leakage of drugs are prevented. Technology Focus INSTRUMENTATION AND TESTING - Preferred Device: The drug delivery device is a modulated transdermal injector comprising a first electrode that is connected to a first drug reservoir; a second electrode for contacting the patient's skin; and a controllable power source for connecting the electrodes and imposing a voltage. It is configured to transmit a status signal back to the cardiac device after receipt of command signal. The second electrode is connected to a second drug reservoir for simultaneous delivery of drugs. The cardiac device sends command signal upon detection of a cardiac arrhythmia or myocardial ischemia. The command signal is generated by a cardiac device through the external programmer. Abstracts: A drug delivery system incorporated into a cardiac device for delivering a dose of a drug to a patient upon detection of a particular medical condition. The cardiac device may be, for example, an implantable cardioverter/defibrillator, cardiac pacemaker, or combination device that communicates via a radio frequency link with a drug delivery device. The drug delivery device is preferably an electrically modulated transdermal drug delivery device for delivering the drug transdermally in accordance with a signal received from the cardiac device. ... ... A drug delivery system incorporated into a cardiac device for delivering a dose of a drug to a patient upon detection of a particular medical condition. The cardiac device may be, for example, an implantable cardioverter/defibrillator, cardiac pacemaker, or combination device that communicates via a radio frequency link with a drug delivery device. The drug delivery device is preferably an electrically modulated transdermal drug delivery device for delivering the drug transdermally in accordance with a signal received from the cardiac device. ... ... A drug delivery system incorporated into a cardiac device for delivering a dose of a drug to a patient upon detection of a particular medical condition. The cardiac device may be, for example, an implantable cardioverter/defibrillator. cardiac pacemaker, or combination device that communicates via a radio frequency link with a drug delivery device. The drug delivery device is preferably an electrically modulated transdermal drug delivery device for delivering the drug transdermally in accordance with a signal received from the cardiac device, ... ... A drug delivery system incorporated into a cardiac device for delivering a dose of a drug to a patient upon detection of a particular medical condition. The cardiac device may be, for example, an

implantable cardioverter/defibrillator, cardiac pacemaker, or combination device that communicates via a radio frequency link with a drug delivery device. The drug delivery device is preferably an electrically modulated transdermal drug delivery device for delivering the drug transdermally in accordance with a signal received from the cardiac device. ... ...: What is claimed is:1. A drug delivery system comprising:a cardiac device comprising a sensing channel for sensing electrical activity occurring in a patient's heart and generating sensing signals in accordance therewith, circuitry for extracting information from the sensing signals, circuitry for detecting a particular medical condition from the extracted information and generating a command signal if the medical condition is present, a telemetry interface for receiving and transmitting radio frequency signals, and circuitry for modulating the radio frequency signals with information relating to the command signal; and an external drug delivery device for affixation to a patient having incorporated therein a telemetry interface for receiving and transmitting radio frequency signals, circuitry for demodulating radio signals to derive a command signal therefrom, and circuitry for controlling the drug delivery device in order to deliver a drug in accordance with the command signal... ... A drug delivery system comprising an implantable cardiac device comprising an electrode connected to a sensing amplifier by a lead for sensing electrical activity occurring in a patientprimes heart and generating sensing signals in accordance therewith, circuitry for extracting information from the sensing signals, circuitry for detecting a particular medical condition from the extracted information and generating a command signal if the medical condition is present, a first telemetry interface for receiving and transmitting radio frequency signals, and circuitry for modulating the radio frequency signals with information relating to the command signal; and an external drug delivery device for affixation to a location on the skin surface of a patient having incorporated therein a second telemetry interface for receiving and transmitting radio frequency signals, circuitry for demodulating radio signals to derive the command signal therefrom, and circuitry for controlling the drug delivery device in order to deliver a drug in accordance with the command signal..... What is claimed is:1. A drug delivery system comprising; an implantable cardiac device having incorporated therein a sensor for sensing a physiological variable in a patient, a first telemetry interface for transmitting radio frequency signals, and circuitry for modulating the radio frequency signals with a drug delivery command signal; an external drug delivery device for affixation to a skin surface location on the patient, the drug delivery device having incorporated therein a second telemetry interface for receiving radio frequency signals, circuitry for demodulating radio signals to derive a drug delivery command signal therefrom, and circuitry for controlling the drug delivery device in order to deliver a drug upon receipt of a drug delivery command signal; wherein the implantable cardiac device is programmed to transmit a drug delivery command signal to the external drug delivery device in response to the sensed physiological variable in a manner that attempts to control the sensed variable in a closed-loop fashion; and, wherein the system is programmed to maintain a downloadable log of the sensed physiological variable and of the amount of drug administered by the drug delivery device that can be used to

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formulate an optimum drug dosage schedule for the patient.

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Implantable communication network device; has devices performing monitoring or drug delivery implanted in patient and communication via internal or external networks

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### Alerting Abstract EP A1

NOVELTY - The patient (102) has a number of devices implanted. These include subcutaneous devices (104,106), transdermal devices (108,109) or external devices, e.g. writs trap based devices. The devices may monitor physiological parameters, deliver drugs or perform other control actions, e.g. heart stimulation. Each device includes a network component allowing communication with the other units directly or via intermediate units.

DESCRIPTION - The network can be via radio or external links.

INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for a computer network incorporating several network devices and for a method for monitoring a patient using the network devices. USE - Interaction between implanted medical devices

ADVANTAGE - Allows devices to be spread around the patient's body and still operate in co-operation with each other, e.g. monitor and drug delivery

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure illustrates a wireless network including implanted and external medical devices and sensors in addition to external communications, storage and display devices according to the invention.

102 Patient

104,106 Subcutaneously implanted networked devices

108.109 Transdermally implanted networked devices

110,111 Communication devices

112 Network

114 Data storage device

116 Printer

118 Workstation or other computer

Implantable communication network device; has devices performing monitoring or drug delivery implanted in patient and communication via internal or external networks Alerting Abstract ... NOVELTY - The patient (102) has a number of devices implanted. These include subcutaneous devices (104,106), transdermal devices (108.109) or external devices, e.g. wrist strap based devices. The devices may monitor physiological parameters, deliver drugs or perform other control actions, e.g. heart stimulation. Each device includes a network component allowing communication with the other units directly or via intermediate units. ...INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for a computer network incorporating several network devices and for a method for monitoring a patient using the network devices......USE - Interaction between implanted medical devices ... ... ADVANTAGE - Allows devices to be spread around the patient's body and still operate in co-operation with each other, e.g. monitor and drug delivery ... ... DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure illustrates a wireless network including implanted and external medical devices and sensors in addition to external communications, storage and display devices according to the invention... ...104,106 Subcutaneously implanted networked devices ... ...108,109 Transdermally implanted networked devices ... ... 124 Monitor Abstracts: A network device (104-111, 200) that can be implanted in a subject (102) is described. The device is configured to communicate over an internal wireless network or over an external computer network (112). In one embodiment, the device (200) of the invention includes an internal interface (212) in physiological communication with the subject (102... ... receive and process the signals, and is further configured to communicate over a computer network with another such device. Such devices can be used to monitor and communicate information (Figures 4, 5, 6) regarding a host's physiological status, monitor and/or control natural (710) and/or artificial organs and prosthetic devices, and/or dispense medication (716), ..., receive and process the signals, and is further configured to communicate over a computer network with another such device. Such devices can be used to monitor and communicate information regarding a hostprimes physiological status, monitor and/or control artificial organs and prosthetic devices, and/or dispense medication.

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Implantable device for monitoring and detecting sympatho-vagal activity - measures

sympatho-vagal activity continuously with time constants to pilot pharmacological and-or electrical therapeutic action using variability of heart rate evaluated from consecutive R-R intervals

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### Alerting Abstract EP A2

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The device includes input terminals (2) on which an ECG signal is present. An atrial ECG electrode (2a) and a ventricular ECG electrode (2b) are connected to an analogue-to-digital interface (3) which transfers the input signals (2a, 2b) to the input of a microprocessor (4), which together with ROM (5) and RAM (6) forms a control and processing system (7). The system (7) includes a clock (8) and an output interface module (9) which pilots the therapeutic device via output terminals (10).
A bi-directional telemetry system (11) includes a reception-transmission interface (12) connected to the microprocessor, and a radio-frequency receiver-transmitter (13) connected with the interface leading to an aerial (14). The processing and control circuit (7) supervises all operating phases of the device and processes data coming from adjacent interfaces.

USE/ADVANTAGE - Producing updated information on sympatho-vagal balance for controlling therapeutic sequence of pharmacological and/or electrical nature, eg neurological stimulator or pharmaceutical dose delivery system. Detecting ECG is based on selective intracardiac sensing rather than surface electrodes.

...Claims:at least one band of normality values for the said sympatho-vagal activity to enable the said therapeutic means (D) to be piloted when the detected sympatho-vagal activity departs from the said band of normality values, said normality band being

defined as the band within which a number of useful events counted must lie, andthe said processor means (1) detect the consecutive R-R intervals and then compare them with a rejection discrimination threshold, the events which exceed said treshold value being defined as said useful events........ A method of providing therapy to a patient comprising; implanting at least one sensor in the proximity of the patient's heart; sensing the electrical activity of the patient's heart from the at least one sensor; generating an electrocardiology signal from the sensed electrical activity of the patient's heart; repeatedly calculating from the signal a time differential between consecutive R-R intervals; comparing the time differentials with a predetermined time differential threshold value; counting the number of time differentials which exceed the predetermined time differential threshold value during a predetermined time interval, that number being equal to the number of useful events; determining whether the number of useful events lies within a predetermined band of normal values; and providing therapy to the patient if the number of useful events does not lie within the predetermined band of normal values.

1. A method of providing therapy to a patient comprising:

implanting at least one sensor in the proximity of the patient's heart;

sensing the electrical activity of the patient's heart from the at least one sensor;

generating an electrocardiology signal from the sensed electrical activity of the patient's heart;

repeatedly calculating from the signal a time differential between consecutive R--R intervals;

comparing the time differentials with a predetermined time differential threshold value;

counting the number of time differentials which exceed the predetermined time differential threshold value during a predetermined time interval, that number being equal to the number of useful events:

determining whether the number of useful events lies within a predetermined band of normal values; and

providing therapy to the patient if the number of useful evalues.

- The method of claim 1 wherein the step of providing therapy comprises delivery of a pharmaceutical agent to the patient.
- 3. The method of claim 1 wherein the step of providing therapy comprises delivering electrical stimulation to the patient.
- 20. The device of claim 19 wherein the means for sensing, calculating, comparing, counting and determining are integrated within a single implantable assembly.
- 36. A device for providing therapy to a patient comprising:
- at least one sensor sized for implantation within the patient having an output indicative of the electrical activity of the patient's heart;
- a signal generator connected to receive the output of the at least one sensor and responsive thereto to generate an electrocardiology signal;
- a processor connected to receive the cardiology signal and to:
- a) repeatedly calculate from the signal a time differential between consecutive R-R intervals;
- b) compare the time-differentials with a predetermined time differential threshold value;
- c) count the number of time differentials which exceed the predetermined time differential threshold value during a predetermined time interval, that number being equal to the number of useful events; and
- d) determine whether the number of useful events lies within a predetermined band of normal values;

the processor producing an output signal indicative of the sympatho-vagal activity of the patient's heart; and

a therapy dispenser responsive to the processor output signal to dispense therapy to the patient if the number of useful events does not lie within the predetermined band of normal values.

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Implantable system for automatically detecting onset of myocardial infraction and prompt release of medication using electronic detection circuit

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### Alerting Abstract US A

NOVELTY - An implantable system for automatically detecting onset of myocardial infraction and prompt release of medication using electronic detection circuit, is new. DESCRIPTION - The system comprises a sensor (which detects a signal from within the human body indicating onset of myocardial infraction) and a medication release device. The sensor can consist of at least two electrodes which sense the electrogram from the patient. The electrodes are placed within right ventricle, atrium or superior vena cava. The medication release device includes a metal case, as many as three medication reservoir entry ports and three catheters. The electric circuitry is capable of recording and playing back electrograms, and includes a radio transmitter for transmitting information from the implanted medication release system to the physician's programmer. The infraction can be detected from the patient's electrocardiogram by noting ST segment deviation, i.e. voltage increase, as compared to the voltage of the patient's TP or PQ segments. The ST segment deviation electronic detection circuit within the implanted system produces an output signal that causes immediate and automatic release of the agent into the patient's bloodstream.

USE - For automatic **detection** of onset of myocardial infraction, **warning** the patient that a myocardial infraction is occurring and promptly **releasing medication** into the bloodstream in order to dissolve obstructive thrombus in a coronary artery. The system can also be used for insulin dependent diabetics.

ADVANTAGE - Thrombolytic and/or anti-thrombogenic agent is automatically released into the bloodstream. The patient is automatically informed that a myocardial infraction has occurred. The device can be used in conjunction with an implantable defibrillator or pacemaker. The system can be integrated to make a telephone call to a rescue service. DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The drawing shows the system block diagram with arrangement of equipment that can be implanted in the patient and other equipment

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(without medications) whose only function would be the detection and warning of myocardial infarction at the earliest possible time. Claims: An automatic detection and responsive medication release system implanted within a human subject for the treatment of myocardial infarction, the system comprising:a sensor having an output electrical signal, the sensor being adapted to detect a signal from within the human body that is indicative of the onset of myocardial infarction; anda medication release device that contains electrical circuitry means that is electrically connected to the sensor, the electrical circuit means being adapted to provide a triggering signal when the output electrical signal from the sensor indicates the occurrence of a myocardial infarction, the medication release device also having at least one medication reservoir for storing a medication and also having a medication releasing means for causing that medication to be released into the bloodstream of the human subject when the triggering signal from the electrical circuitry means indicates that a myocardial infarction is occurring.

- An automatic detection and responsive medication release system implanted within a human subject for the treatment of myocardial infarction, the system comprising:
- a sensor having an output electrical signal, the sensor being adapted to detect a signal from within the human body that is indicative of the onset of myocardial infarction; and
- a medication release device that contains electrical circuitry means that is electrically connected to the sensor, the electrical circuit means being adapted to provide a triggering signal when the output electrical signal from the sensor indicates the occurrence of a myocardial infarction, the medication release device also having at least one medication reservoir for storing a medication and also having a medication releasing means for causing that medication to be released into the bloodstream of the human subject when the triggering signal from the electrical circuitry means indicates that a myocardial infarction is occurring.
- 25. The medication release system of claim 1 wherein the medication releasing means is a conventional drug pump.
- 33. The medication release system of claim 1 further comprising defibrillation means operated from automatic defibrillation circuitry implanted within the human subject.
- 34. The medication release system of claim 1 further comprising implantable heart pacemaker circuitry for pacing

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Cardiac electrode lead also providing drug dispensation - has helical wire coated with platinum black particles which decreases electrical losses at electrode-tissue interface

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## Alerting Abstract US A

The helical electrode has a first end section extended into a head and connected to a conductor wire. A helical second end section is extended from the head adapted to be screwed into the myocardium of a heart. The second end section has an outer helical surface terminating in a point with a layer of platinum black particles attached to the entire outer helical surface of the second end section.

The layer of platinum black particles have uniform particles size and generally uniform distribution on the outer surface of the second end section of the electrode. The layer has a continuous and uniform microporous outer platinum black surface locatable in surface

contact with the myocardium of the heart. The layer of platinum black particles decreases electrical losses at the electrode-tissue interface and establishes intimate contact between the electrode and myocardium. It maximises voltage applied to the **myocardium** and lowers **stimulation** thresholds and increases amplitude of **sensed** electrical signals from the myocardium.

USE - For transmitting electric signals to the heart, also monitoring the electrical activity of the heart and also allowing dispensing of steroids or other drugs adjacent the stimulation site.

Cardiac electrode lead also providing drug dispensation - Alerting Abstract ...black particles decreases electrical losses at the electrode-tissue interface and establishes intimate contact between the electrode and myocardium. It maximises voltage applied to the myocardium and lowers stimulation thresholds and increases amplitude of sensed electrical signals from the myocardium... ... USE - For transmitting electric signals to the heart, also monitoring the electrical activity of the heart and also allowing dispensing of steroids or other drugs adjacent the stimulation site. Abstracts: A cardiac lead for transmitting electric current to the heart and/or sensing and monitoring electrical activity of the heart has an elongated electrical conductor connected to a head. An electrode mounted on the head comprises a helical wire adapted to be turned into... Claims: A cardiac lead connectable to a cardiac management device for transmitting electric current to and/or receiving electrical signals from the myocardium of the heart comprising; an elongated flexible conductor wire means, sheath means of non-electrical conductive material surrounding said conductor wire means, an electrical connector attached to the wire means adapted to be connected to a cardiac management device, a head of non-electrically conductive material connected to said conductor wire means and sheath means, a helical electrode having a first end section extended into said... ... platinum black particles decreases electrical losses at the electrode-tissue interface, establishes intimate contact between the electrode and myocardium, and maximizes voltage applied to said myocardium and lowers stimulation thresholds and increases amplitude of sensed electrical signals from the myocardium....

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Implantable device for detecting far-field cardiac signals - uses pairs of sensing electrodes, and selects electrode pair signal providing optimum indication of electrogram characteristics

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The sensing device includes an endocardial lead (12) having tip and ring electrodes (14,16) within the heart right ventricle. An array of sensing electrodes (A,B,C) are disposed on a pulse generator housing (10).

The sensing electrodes are switchably selectable in sequence to provide generally orthogonally disposed electrode pairs. The sensed signals are stored and compared. The electrode pair signal providing optimum indication of the cardiac signal characateristics is selected for use in detecting capture of the heart by a pacing stimulation pulse. USE/ADVANTAGE - For use with cardiac pacemaker, defibrillator, drug dispensing pump, etc. Provides orientation insensitive cardiac signal detection.

Implantable device for detecting far-field cardiac signals... ... uses pairs of sensing electrodes, and selects electrode pair signal providing optimum indication of electrogram characteristics ... Abstract ... The sensing device includes an endocardial lead (12) having tip and ring electrodes (14,16) within the heart right ventricle. An array of sensing electrodes (A,B,C) are disposed on a pulse generator housing (10......The sensing electrodes are switchably selectable in sequence to provide generally orthogonally disposed electrode pairs. The sensed signals are stored and compared. The electrode pair signal providing optimum indication of the cardiac signal characateristics is selected for use in detecting capture of the heart by a pacing stimulation pulse... ...USE/ADVANTAGE - For use with cardiac pacemaker, defibrillator, drug dispensing pump, etc. Provides orientation insensitive cardiac signal detection. Equivalent Alerting Abstract ... The device detects and gathers electrical cardiac signals via an array of relatively closely spaced subcutaneous electrodes (located on the body of an implanted device) which may be... ... This far-field EGM may be used to provide storage and analysis of arrhythmic events and to provide control signals for the delivery of various therapies including pacing, cardioversion and defibrillation therapies as well as the delivery of antiarrhythmic drugs, and, in the pacing context, to effect capture detection and automatic stimulation threshold adaption, recording of PMT episodes, measurement of refractory periods in order to set timing windows for antitachy pacing therapies, and as a control signal for use in adjusting pacing rate to... ... ADVANTAGE -EGM signal may be sensed without encountering polarisation effects. Abstracts: A method and apparatus for providing an enhanced capability of detecting and gathering electrical cardiac signals via an array of relatively closely spaced subcutaneous electrodes (located on the body of an implanted device) which may be employed with suitable switching circuits, signal processors, and memory to process the electrical cardiac signals between any selected pair or pairs... ... provide a leadless, orientation insensitive means for receiving the electrical signal from the heart. This far-field EGM may be used to provide storage and analysis of arrhythmic events and to provide control signals for the delivery of various therapies including pacing, cardioversion and defibrillation therapies as well as the delivery of antiarrhythmic drugs, and, in the pacing context, to effect capture detection and automatic stimulation threshold adaptation, recording of PMT episodes, measurement of refractory periods in order to set timing windows for antitachy pacing therapies, and as a control signal for use in adjusting pacing rate to physiologic demand. The housing or case of the subcutaneously implanted medical device is modified to provide an array of electrodes which may be selectively or sequentially coupled in one or more pairs to the terminals of one or more sense amplifiers to pick up, amplify and process the electrical cardiac signals across each electrode pair. In one embodiment, the signals from the selected electrode pairs may be stored and compared to one another in order to determine the sensing vector which provides the largest cardiac signal (in a test mode). Following completion of the test mode, the system may employ the selected subcutaneous ECG signal vector for a number of applications. The implanted device possesses analog-to-digital conversion circuitry for sampling and converting the selected subcutaneous ECG signal to digital data which is stored in..... data retrieval either periodically or upon the occurrence of an event of

interest. In another embodiment, the selected subcutaneous ECG signal is used to confirm capture in conjunction with an algorithm for determining the stimulation threshold of the heart and set stimulation pulse energy at a level exceeding the threshold by a desired safety margin. Further embodiments include replacing the switching approach with parallel linear and nonlinear combinational processing of the... ... A method and apparatus for providing an enhanced capability of detecting and gathering electrical cardiac signals via an array of relatively closely spaced subcutaneous electrodes (located on the body of an implanted device) which may be employed with suitable switching circuits, signal processors, and memory to process the electrical cardiac signals between any selected pair or pairs of ... ... provide a leadless, orientation insensitive means for receiving the electrical signal from the heart. 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In one embodiment, the signals from the selected electrode pairs may be stored and compared to one another in order to determine the sensing vector which provides the largest cardiac signal (in a test mode). Following completion of the test mode, the system may employ the selected subcutaneous ECG signal vector for a number of applications. The implanted device possesses analog-to-digital conversion circuitry for sampling and converting the selected subcutaneous ECG signal to digital data which is stored in a recirculating buffer, the contents of which are transferred to RAM for later data retrieval either periodically or upon the occurrence of an event of interest. In another embodiment, the selected subcutaneous ECG signal is used to confirm capture in conjunction with an algorithm for determining the stimulation threshold of the heart and set stimulation pulse energy at a level exceeding the threshold by a desired safety margin. Further embodiments include replacing the switching approach with parallel linear and nonlinear combinational processing of the signals from the orthogonal electrode pairs of the electrode array... Claims: The sensing device includes an endocardial lead (12) having tip and ring electrodes (14.16) within the heart right ventricle. An array of sensing electrodes (A.B.C) are disposed on a pulse generator housing (10... ... The sensing electrodes are switchable selectable in sequence to provide generally orthogonally disposed electrode pairs. The sensed signals are stored and compared. The electrode pair signal providing optimum indication of the cardiac signal characteristics is selected for use in detecting capture of the heart by a pacing stimulation pulse...... 1. An implantable medical device including apparatus (160) for detecting a far-field cardiac electrogram signal from electrodes located remote from the heart, of the type comprising means for providing an electrode pair (A,B) coupled to said device and located on said device (10) or in proximity thereto on a lead (12) attached to said device, said electrode pair threeby adapted to be disposed outside the patient's heart, said device comprising means (148) coupled to said electrode pair for sensing cardiac electrogram signals appearing across said electrode pair, characterized in that:

said apparatus comprises means for providing two or more electrode pairs (A,B,C) in a planar array and coupled to said implantable medical device, said electrode pairs located on said device (10) or in proximity thereto on a lead or leads (12) attached to said device, said electrode pairs thereby adapted to be implanted subcutaneously, wherein said sensing means (148) further comprises means (164,166) for sensing the cardiac electrogram signals across each of said pairs of electrodes and for providing first and second cardiac electrogram signals, and wherein said apparatus further comprises means (132) for triggering the operation of said sensing means to sense cardiac electrogram signals from said electrode pairs upon command and means for providing a command signal to said triggering means... ... An apparatus for monitoring cardiac signals, comprising: a hermetically sealed housing; first and second pairs of electrodes mounted to said housing; sensing means, located within said housing, for sensing cardiac signals; command means, located outside said housing, for providing command signals indicative of which of said first and second electrode pairs are to be coupled to said sensing means; selecting means, located within said housing and responsive to said command signals, for selectively coupling said first and second electrode pairs to said sensing means; processing means, located within said housing, for processing and converting said sensed cardiac signals into data signals; and means for storing said data signals....

A method and apparatus for providing an enhanced capability of detecting and gathering electrical cardiac signals via an array of relatively closely spaced subcutaneous electrodes (located on the body of an implanted device) which may be employed with suitable switching circuits, signal processors, and memory to process the electrical cardiac signals between any selected pair or pairs of the electrode array in order to provide a leadless, orientation insensitive means for receiving the electrical signal from the heart. This far-field EGM may be used to provide storage and analysis of arrhythmic events and to provide control signals for the lelivery of various therapies including pacing, cardioversion and defibrillation therapies as well as the lelivery of antiarrhythmic larges, and, in the pacing context, to effect capture detection and automatic stimulation

threshold adaption, recording of PMT episodes, measurement of refractory periods in order to set timing windows for antitachy pacing therapies, and as a control signal for use in adjusting pacing rate to physiologic demand.

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It has also been proposed that implantable drug administration devices be developed as a substitute for or to augment the aforementioned brady and tachyarrhythmia control stimulation devices. In such systems, it has been proposed that antiarrhythmic frugs be delivered systemically where appropriate upon detection of the arrhythmic episodes or upon detection of other cardiac dysfunctions, such as elevated or depressed blood pressure. With the advent of chronically implantable blood-gas sensors, blood pressure sensors, mechanical activity

sensors, and the like, such systems for the combined detection analysis and therapeutic treatment of various cardiac malfunctions appear to be realizable.

### Brief Summary Text - BSTX (55):

This sensed far-field EGM may be used to provide storage and analysis of arrhythmic events and to provide control signals for the delivery of various therapies including pacing, cardioversion and defibrillation therapies as well as the delivery of antiarrhythmic drugs, and, in the pacing context, to effect capture detection and automatic stimulation threshold adaptation, recording of PMT episodes, measurement of refractory periods in order to set timing windows for antitachycardia pacing therapies, and as a control signal for use in adjusting pacing rate to physiologic demand.

### Detailed Description Text - DETX (25):

The events initiating automatic recording of data may include the operation of a dual chamber cardiac pacemaker at its upper rate limit for a sustained number of beats or predetermined period of time, the switching of the pacing mode from an atrial synchronous mode to a rate responsive mode in response to elevated atrial rates, to track the underlying behavior of the heart in a PMT or spontaneous atrial tachycardia, the detection of an arrhythmia in a

tachyarrhythmia control device, the clivery of arrhythmia breaking therapies, and the response of the heart to the clivery of a bollus of medication in an automatic crug administration device. Alternatively, a purely diagnostic system may be implanted in order to record the patient's far-field EGM in patient's suffering from recurrent bouts of syncopy which defy diagnosis by external monitoring and control by drug therapies. The remaining Figures depict signal processing circuitry on systems for implementing the concepts of the invention into preferred embodiments thereof.

# Detailed Description Text - DETX (30):

In the context of an arrhythmia control device, such as a pacemaker-cardioverter-defibrillator, the STORE command may precipitate storage of the electrogram preceding and following detection and delivery of a therapy. In the context of a fire administration device, the STORE command may precipitate the storage of data related to the detection of an arrhythmia or an abnormal cardiac function detected by another sensor and the felivery of a bollus of medication.

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Implanted programmable ambulatory heartbeat signal monitor - senses heartbeat signals with subcutaneous sensor located remote from heart, and detects and reports heart abnormality

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A programmable ambulatory electrocardiography monitor (10) is subcutaneously implanted at a position remote from the heart which permits optimum diagnosis of ST segment signals. The sensed heartbeat signals are continuously analysed by the moritor, and the stored results transmitted (15) in burst to external circuitry.

When the analysis indicates a hear abnormality the monitor transmits a warning signal and ectivatus a patient alarm (30). The monitor may control an external pacemaker, defibrillator, or infusion pump.

ADVANTAGE - Continuous long term monitoring, with warning of malignant cardiac arrhythmias, and analysis of effects of drugs. @(25pp Dwg.No.10/14)@

Alerting Abstract ... A programmable ambulatory electrocardiography monitor (10) is subcutaneously implanted at a position remote from the heart which permits optimum diagnosis of ST segment signals. The sensed heartbeat signals are continuusly analysed by the moritor, and the stored results transmitted (15) in burst to external circuitry... ...When the analysis indicates a hear abnormality the monitor transmits a warning signal and ectivatus a patient alarm (30). The monitor may control an external pacemaker, defibrillator, or infusion pump, ... ... ADVANTAGE - Continuous long term monitoring, with warning of malignant cardiac arrhythmias, and analysis of effects of drugs. ... USE - Controlling defibrillators, antitachycardia pacemakers and drug infusion pumps. Abstracts: An implanted programmable ambulatory electrocardiography (AECG) patient monitoring device that senses and analyzes electrocardiographic signals from at least one subcutaneous precordial sensor chronically and frequently to detect electrocardiogram and physiological signal characteristics predictive of malignant cardiac arrhythmias. The device includes telemetric capabilities to communicate a warning signal to an external device when such arrhythmias are predicted. ... ... An implanted programmable ambulatory electrocardiography (AECG) patient monitoring device that senses and analyzes electrocardiographic signals from at least one subcutaneous precordial sensor chronically and frequently to detect electrocardiogram and physiological signal characteristics predictive of malignant cardiac arrhythmias. The device includes telemetric capabilities to communicate a warning signal to an external device when such arrhythmias are predicted.

>Claims: 1. A chronically and totally implanted heartbeat signal monitor comprising:

subcutaneous sensing means, located remote from a patient's heart, for sensing heartbeat signals,

means responsive to sensed heartbeat signals for determining a heart abnormality, and means responsive to said determining means for communicating with a message-receiving device to report on a heart abnormality.

### Detailed Description Text - DETX (22):

The implantable AECG monitoring system of the preferred embodiment of the invention includes a number of components. In a particular application, some of the components may not be clinically necessary and are optical. Referring to FIG. 10, system components are the implantable AECG monitor 10 including the transmitter/receiver 15, an external programmer and analyzer 20, a personal communicator alarm device 30, a telephonic communicator 40 which communicates with an external programmer and analyzer 80 in a health care provider's office using modem 70, a full disclosure recorder 50, an external antitachycardia pacemakes on defilosiblianos 60, and a percutateous un external drug infusion pump (not shown). The implantable AECG monitor 10 and the external programmer and analyzer 20 are mandatory system components. The need for other components depends on the medical application at hand or objectives of a clinical investigation. All components include at least a telemetry receiver for receiving data and control signals from the Emplantable AECS monitor 10.

### Detailed Description Text - DETX (43):

The implantable AECG monitor 10 can control therapeutic devices including antitachycardia pacemakers and desibuilitators 60, and drug infusion pumps. These devices are known in the art and adapted to this invention by the addition of a telemetry receiver and transmitter similar to and compatible with that of the implanted AECG monitor. When the AECG monitor detects a triggering event, it sends control signals by telemetry to an implanted defibrillator or infusion pump.

#### Detailed Description Text - DETX (44):

In many cases a patient will have an implanted or a transfer and trans

example, be a code requesting attachment of an external defibrillator. The personal communicator alarm notifies and prompts the patient or an attendant to attach external defibrillator paddles 630 and 640, or another therapeutic device to the chest. In a clinical setting, more than one cardiac patient may have an implantable AECG monitor and its associated therapeutic device. The arbitration method discussed previously illustrates how the implantable monitor interacts with the correct personal communicator alarm. A second arbitration scheme is necessary to assure that the monitor interacts with a therapeutic device attached to the same patient. After the patient attaches the therapeutic device, it may inject low level current pulses into the body for the purpose of establishing communication with the implantable AECG monitor using the body as a conductive link. If the therapeutic device is a defibrillator, for example, it will inject current pulses across the paddles. Referring to FIG. 13, the current pulses transmitted by the defibrillator will be superimposed on the electrocardiogram signals of the heart. The current pulses from the therapeutic device are in the form of a timed code or signature which establish that the device and the monitor are connected to the same patient. The implantable AECG monitor detects and decodes the information as pulses within the electrocardiogram. After establishing the communication link in this manner, the implantable monitor will respond to the device over the telemetry link. The therapeutic device must include the telemetry receiver 650 of the aforementioned external devices. The communication between the implantable AECG monitor and the therapeutic device directs the external device to discharge at the appropriate time and in the correct manner.

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Body implantable action device controlling system - has signal from radio transmitter picked up by distal electrode of pacing lead which acts as antenna Patent Assignee: CORDIS CORP (CRDC)

Inventor: SCHROEPPEL E A

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#### Alerting Abstract US A

The system includes a sensor assembly for controlling a body implantable action device operable to act upon a body in response to changes in physiological parameter. The sensor assembly includes a transmitter for transmitting coded signals to the action device which has programming circuitry for deciphering the signals received. Once these signals have been deciphered, the programming circuitry can adjust the output from the action device, such as the rate and A-V delay of pacing pulses from the pacing circuitry. The transmitter may be a radio transmitter and the programming code transmitted from it may be picked up by an output terminal, such as a distal electrode of a pacing lead, which acts as a pickup antenna.

USE - E.g. for heart pacing device or drug infusion pump.

...has signal from radio transmitter picked up by distal electrode of pacing lead which acts as antenna Alerting Abstract ... The system includes a sensor assembly for controlling a body implantable action device operable to act upon a body in response to changes in physiological parameter. The sensor assembly includes a transmitter for transmitting coded signals to the action device which has programming circuitry for deciphering the signals received ... ... circuitry can adjust the output from the action device, such as the rate and A-V delay of pacing pulses from the pacing circuitry. The transmitter may be a radio transmitter and the programming code transmitted from it may be picked up by an output terminal, such as a distal electrode of a pacing lead, which acts as a pickup antenna ... ... USE - E.g. for heart pacing device or drug infusion pump. Abstracts: The system includes a sensor assembly comprising a body implantable physiological sensor for controlling a body implantable action device operable to act upon the body in response to changes in a physiological parameter sensed by the sensor. The body implantable action device can be a heart pacing device, a drug infusion pump, or other device which acts upon a human body. The sensor assembly includes a transmitter for transmitting coded signals to the action device which has programming circuitry for deciphering the signals received from the sensor assembly generated by the sensor which is in a location away from the location of the action device. Once these signals have been deciphered, the programming circuitry can adjust the output from the action device, such as the rate and A-V delay of pacing pulses from the pacing circuitry. In one embodiment, the transmitter is a radio transmitter and the programming code transmitted therefrom is picked up by an output terminal, such as a distal electrode of a pacing lead, which acts as a pickup antenna.

1. In a system comprising a body implantable device and a sensor assembly for programming or reprogramming said action device, which device is operable to act upon the body in response to changes in a sensed parameter and which has circuitry for deciphering coded signals used to program said device, the improvement comprising said sensor assembly being a separate, independent assembly which is independent of the action device, which is capable of being implanted within a body, and which includes:

sensor means for sensing a physiological parameter in a body, signal converting circuitry means for converting signals generated by said sensor means to coded electrical signals, such as conventional digital program codes of the type normally used in programming or reprogramming the action device, and transmitting means for transmitting said coded electrical signal related to the sensed parameter to the action device which is operable to decipher the coded electrical signal and act accordingly, upon the body.

- The system of claim 1 wherein said action device circuitry includes pacer programming circuitry, a program transducer, pacing circuitry and a self-contained power supply coupled together.
- The system of claim 1 wherein said action device is a body implantable medical dispensing device.
- 4. The system of claim 3 wherein said action device includes means for adjusting the metering dosage of the medical dispensing device relative to the physiological parameter sensed.
- 5. The system of claim 1 wherein said action device is a body implantable pacemaker:

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Self-powered implanted programmable medication system - uses medication storage

## and dispensing control circuitry having controls modified by external means

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The internal implanted circuitry modified by extracorporeal controls so as to provide a selectable, programming capability. Thus, a variety of timing programs can be selected by extracorporeal control. Similarly, a variety of data evaluation programs or dispensing options can be selected by extracorporeal control with the employment of microprocessor techniques. The interface portion of the circuitry lends itself to use of a variety of peripheral devices such as memory latch controls, various types of remotely operable switches, R-F transmitters and receivers through which information may be sent to and from the implanted microprocessor circuitry in the form of programming changes, operation constraints.

...uses medication storage and dispensing control circuitry having controls modified by external means Alerting Abstract ...so as to provide a selectable, programming capability. Thus, a variety of timing programs can be selected by extracorporeal control. Similarly, a variety of data evaluation programs or dispensing options can be selected by extracorporeal control with the employment of microprocessor techniques. The interface portion of the circuitry lends itself to use of a variety of peripheral devices such as memory latch controls, various types of remotely operable switches, R-F transmitters and receivers through which information may be sent to and from the implanted microprocessor circuitry in the form of programming changes, operation constraints. Abstracts: A device and method for dispensing medication internally of the body utilize an implanted system which includes medication storage and dispensing control circuitry having control components which may be modified by means external of the body being treated to control the manner of dispensing the medication within such bedy. Coordinated nacemaking is also available. Basic Derwent Week: 197915

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In another aspect of the invention it is recognized that many cardiac cases would be benefited by having available both a pacemaking source as well as a medication source. Thus, the invention contemplates a method and system

associated with an implanted structure utilizing a common control having at least some adjustable parameters and associated with both a pacemaking mechanism and a medication dispensing mechanism. The description has already dealt with sensing heart activity and treatment by medication related to such activity. Mention has also been made in connection with FIG. 18 of employing cardiac stimulation in conjunction with controlled medication as related to an implanted system and method using such a system. Thus, it is believed those skilled in the art will readily appreciate and understand the concept of combining both pacemaking and medicating functions in a unitary implanted system.

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FIG. 27 broadly illustrates an implanted system having both pacemaking and medicating capabilities according to the invention. FIG. 28 illustrates in more detail a similar system utilizing both the medical and circuitry technology previously described. In order to more fully understand the role of the pacemaking activity in conjunction with the medicating activity, a brief description will be given of certain aspects of pacemaking of particular interest to the invention. From the following description, the reader will gain a better appreciation of the value of an implantable cardiac pacer and medication dispensing combination with mutually shared components such as those involved with timing, sensing, cardiac evaluation and the power source.

- 1. A self-powered programmable apparatus adapted to be totally received within a selected animal body, including human, for periodically dispensing selected medication therein according to a selected program coordinated with need while leaving the body ambulatory at all times, comprising:
- (a) a storage member mounted within the body for storing selected medication to be dispensed therein;
- (b) a micro size power source mounted within implanted housing means and having a useful working life in terms of at least several days;

- (c) miniaturized dispensing means mounted within implanted housing means and adapted to be operated under programmed electrical control to cause selected said medication to be discharged from the implanted storage member into said body; and
- (d) miniaturized programmable electrical control circuit means mounted within implanted housing means and connected to be energized by said power source, said electrical control means being adapted for performing control operations according to program instructions for actuation of said dispensing means, said control means embodying selectable and resettable plural program configurations, each program configuration providing a selection of logic stored digital control data corresponding to a set of predetermined body conditions and medical dispensation therefor, thereby providing in singular and plural programs associated therewith a complex programming capability accommodating differential times and rates, means for extracting said data and means for applying said data to operate said dispensing means, said circuit means being set in a configuration corresponding to one of such programs and being adapted to actuate said dispensing means according to the selected program to dispense said medication within said body at times and rates determined by said program.
- An apparatus as claimed in claim 1 wherein said circuit means further includes pacemaking circuit means operationally associated and functionally coordinated therewith.

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